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SCREW YOU GUYS, I'M GOING ON MY OWN.

...YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN TOTALLY UNREA-SONABLE THE WHOLE TIME.

IT'S TOO RISKY TO GO IT ALONE.

SHO FU KAN, HOLD ON A SEC-OND.

I'LL FOLLOW YOUR LEAD NO MORE.

WE'RE NOT THAT FAR FROM THE SEVEN SINS TOWER, I'LL FIND ANOTHER ROUTE.

THERE'S NO POINT IN STAYING WITH A GROUP OF MISFITS ANY-MORE.

THIS ISN'T GOOD.

SIR SHO...

WE DON'T NEED AN ANGRY PRANK-STER LIKE HIM...

HE IS ONLY A SMALL FISH.

THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY, I'LL COMPLETE THE NEXT STEP WITH THE SOUL ECHO FLUTE.

NO, NO, TAN HI.

THERE'S NO ACT...

ARE YOU GUYS SERI-OUSLY GOING TO ACT LIKE THIS!?

PRANK STER!

I AM GOING TO SEARCH FOR SIR SHO!

ENOUGH WITH THIS NON-SENSE!

AH..... WAIT, LEAVE THIS TO ME.

WAIT... MISS TAN HI!

SO, WHAT NOW?

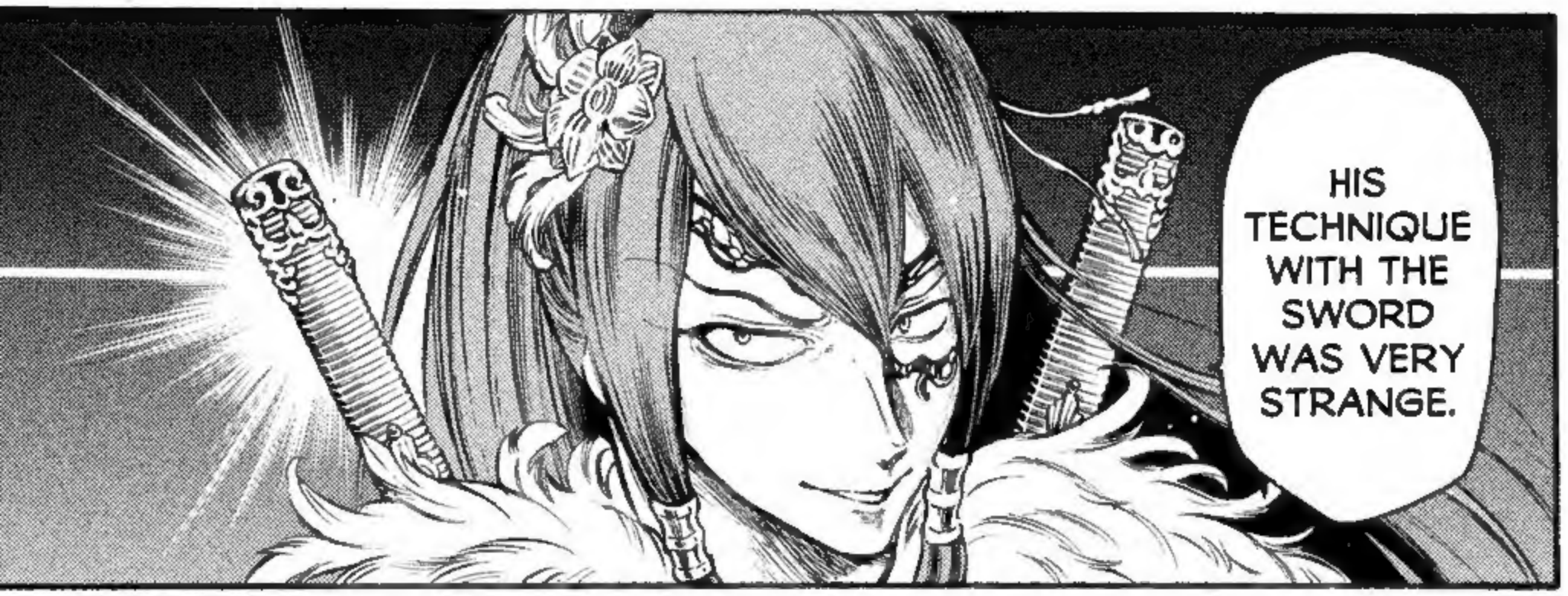
YES, HE WENT TO LOOK FOR HIM FOR A REASON.

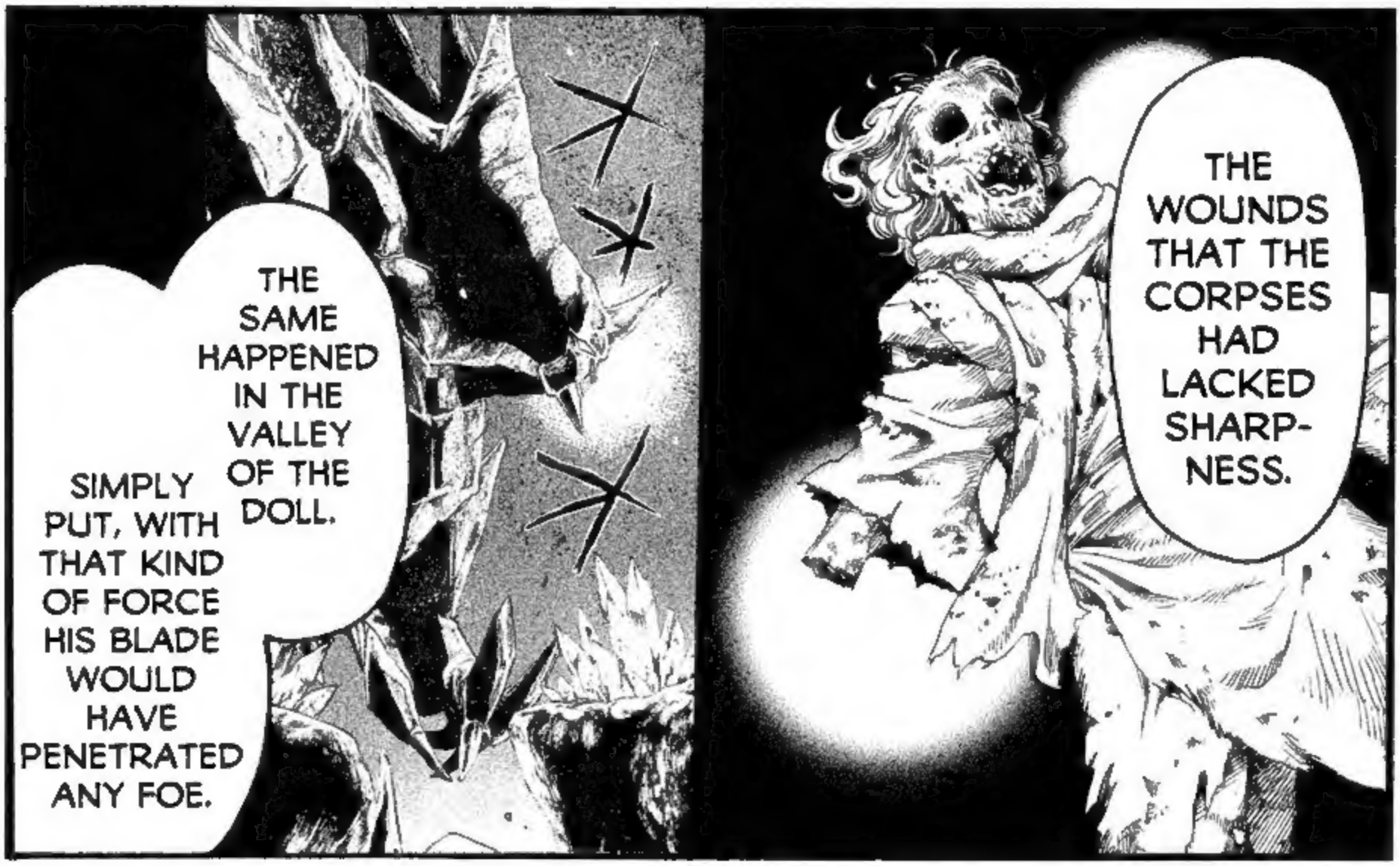
THOUGH I'M SURE KICHO HAS SOME MASTER PLAN AT HAND.

LOOKS LIKE SHO HAS PUT US IN A SPOT OF BOTHER.

IN THE VALLEY OF THE DEAD, EVEN WHEN FACED AGAINST SUPERIOR NUMBERS HE MOVED IN A WAY WHICH LEFT NO OPENINGS.

HE MUST BE A BIG DEAL.


HIS TECHNIQUE WITH THE SWORD WAS VERY STRANGE.


THE SAME HAPPENED IN THE VALLEY OF THE DOLL.
SIMPLY PUT, WITH THAT KIND OF FORCE HIS BLADE WOULD HAVE PENETRATED ANY FOE.
THE WOUNDS THAT THE CORPSES HAD LACKED SHARP-NESS.

HE MUST LACK CONFIDENCE IN HIS SWORD-PLAY.
BUT HE JUST TRIED TO RUN AWAY.

JUST WHAT KIND OF SWORDS-MAN IS HE?

SO HE'S A SKILLED WARRIOR, BUT NOT FIRST-RATE.

ABAN-DONING HIM WILL BE A PIECE OF CAKE...

BUT IF HE EVER BECOMES OUR ENEMY, HE WON'T BE MUCH OF A THREAT.

IN OTHER WORDS... THAT MAN REALLY IS A MYSTERY.

SHOULDN'T WE BE FOLLOWING THEM?

IT'S BAD TO TALK ABOUT THIS CONSID-ERING TAN HI IS AT STAKE.

WAIT A SECOND ...

B... BUT...

I THINK HE WANTED TO DO THIS BY HIMSELF.

JUST LEAVE HIM BE.

KEN... JUST HAVE FAITH.

SO FAR HIS PLAN HASN'T FAILED ONE BIT.

YOUR JUST THINKING ABOUT WHAT'S HER NAME.

WE NEED THE SWORD OF DIVINE RETRIBU-TION,

KICHO ISN'T GOING TO LET US BE DISAP-POINTED WITH NO REWARD.

THAT'S RIGHT, HE MUST HAVE SOME KIND OF PLAN AT WORK.

THOUGH WHATEVER THAT MAY BE IS A MYSTERY TO ME.

PLEASE, SLOW DOWN FOR A BIT!

YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOUR RUNNING TO!

TAN HI!

IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO ESCAPE FROM THIS OTHER WORLD ALIVE BY YOURSELF...

LET ME TELL YOU SOME-THING ABOUT THIS PLACE.

...WHY DID YOU GUYS DO THIS...

THEN YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE LET HIM RUN AWAY LIKE THAT...

I UNDERSTAND YOUR FRUSTRATION.

AND I FULLY INTEND TO MAKE AMENDS TO SHO FU KAN.

IT'S DARK...

IT WILL BE HARD TO FIND SIR SHO.

HOPEFULLY HE HASN'T STRAYED FAR FROM THE MAIN ROAD...

HMM.

THERE IS A BRIGHT LIGHT OVER THERE.

LET'S GO AND SEE.

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HUSH!

...SIR SHO!

I SEE, THAT'S IT...

SHO, I REALLY HOPE YOU WEREN'T GOING TO TRY AND GET THROUGH THE LABYRINTH OF DARKNESS BY YOURSELF.

I'M SO SORRY ...

MAN, YOU JUST HAD TO FOLLOW ME.

HMM... LOOKS LIKE THEY ARE TRYING TO CATCH AND TAME MORE DEMON BIRDS.

ANY IDEA WHAT THEY'RE DOING?

YES... I THINK YOU ARE RIGHT.

THEY ARE USING THEM TO GET BACK AND FORTH FROM THE SEVEN SINS TOWER.

HEY...

THIS GIVES ME AN IDEA.

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DO YOU THINK THE TRAP IS ENOUGH ?

NO, THAT'S WHY WE'VE GOT ANOTHER TEAM SETTING UP ON THE MOUNTAINS NEARBY.

IT'LL TAKE A WHILE FOR THE DEMON BIRDS TO APPEAR.

SO WE'LL WAIT PATIENTLY ...

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I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND IF WE HAVE A GO.
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HMM... THIS SEEMS TO BE IT.
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WITH THIS WE'LL SIMPLY FLY OVER THE DARK LABYRINTH JUST LIKE THE ONYX DEMONS.

IT'S A WIND WHISTLE MADE FROM DEMON BIRD BONES.

THAT THING...

RIDING IT...

THAT THING...

OH, BE QUIET.

THAT'S QUITE THE IMPROVISA-TION FROM OUR VERY OWN RECKLESS DAREDEVIL, SHO FU KAN.

JUST YOU THROW THE FLUTE AND THINK ABOUT RETURNING TO THE SEVEN SINS TOWER.

SO, HOW DO WE GO ABOUT DOING THIS ?

AH...

DON'T WORRY.

OH, YOU DON'T RIDE IT. IT'LL GRAB YOU AND YOU'LL HAVE TO HAND ON FOR YOUR DEAR LIFE.

...HMPH.

WE'RE SO CLOSE TO THE SEVEN SINS TOWER. UNLESS YOU WANT TO WALK TO REST OF THE WAY.

OH, PIPE DOWN.

I DIDN'T ASK YOU TO COME TOO.

I'M NOT RETURN-ING ANY-WHERE.

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YOU CALL IT BY THROW-ING THAT.

WELL, HOW DO WE USE IT?

OH.

IT'LL FLY DOWN AND GRAB YOU, ALL WILL BE FINE.

READY?

WHILE IN FLIGHT DON'T THINK ABOUT ANY-THING UNNEC-ESSARY.

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THERE, THERE, GOOD GIRL.

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O… OKAY !

COME ON, IT'S OUR TURN.

SO...ARE YOU GOING TO BE ALRIGHT ?
HEY, TAN HI.
I'VE COME THIS FAR, I'VE MADE MY DECI-SION !
...YES.
TEXT: WAH!! I'M SO HIGH!!
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高え!!
I'LL SEE YOU AT THE SEVEN SINS TOWER.
THAT'S GOOD.

SURELY, I WILL AVENGE YOU...

MY BROTH-ER... I'VE COME SO FAR.

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CAN'T GET ANYWHERE WITHOUT BEARING THE FRUITS OF THEIR LABOUR.

A REAL WARRIOR ...

OH, MY. I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU ARE SO LIGHT.

WHAT A FRAIL THING YOU ARE.

MISS TAN HI.

NOW, LET'S GET ON WITH THIS.

ONWARD, TO BETSU TEN GAI.

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